IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace $\P[0010]$ of the present application (as the case published under Patent Publication No. 2005/0286979) with the following paragraph, marked up to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version, as follows:

[0010] Preferably also, **the** a curved, substantially spherical or part spherical element is disposed on the tip of the leading end portion whereby the (preferably) conical leading end portion is prevented from fully abutting the conical base surface of the socket.

Please replace $\P[0053]$ of the present application with the following paragraph, marked up to show changes made relative to the immediate prior version, as follows:

[0053] When the structure 4 has been located in the socket 32, alignment of the structure 4 is undertaken. For this purpose, alignment means 14 are lowered down the end part 10 until they contact the inner surface 40. The alignment means preferably comprise a plurality of hydraulic cylinders and typically four such cylinders are provided. **One Once** the alignment means are in place, the clamps 20 can be released. The alignment means 14 are then used to set the structure 4 in its desired alignment. The inner surface 40 acts at this stage as a reaction surface against which the alignment means 14 (hydraulic cylinders) act to provide the required movement of the structure to adjust its position and, when that position is achieved, to retain the structure in that position. Once the desired alignment is achieved, the alignment means can be locked in position.